

Achieving Success With CATS

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Objectives

- Understanding State's requirements for project execution and management
- Applicable policies, processes and requirements
- Success with CATS
- Roles and responsibilities



State ITMP Strategic Initiatives

- 1. Establishment of technical standards and enterprise architecture
- 2. Further development of professional project management
- 3. Establishment of a consolidated and enhanced disaster recovery site
- 4. Complete building and migration to networkMarylandTM
- 5. Consolidation of common information platforms
- 6. Consolidation and standardization of agency web sites
- 7. Modernization of core statewide business systems
- 8. Interoperability of wireless public safety communications systems



Characteristics of Successful Projects

- Strong Executive sponsorship
- Appropriate level of responsibility, authority and resources are assigned
- Effective management of project resources
- Prescribed processes and methodologies are employed

- Project team adheres to prescribed processes and methodologies
- Functional users of the resulting system are involved throughout the project
- Effective project oversight is utilized to proactively identify and adjust for increased project risk



Maryland's Project Requirements

- Strategic Planning
- System Development Life Cycle (SDLC)
- Enterprise Architecture
- IT Security Policy and Standards
- Project Management Oversight



Strategic Planning

- Agency IT Master Plan
- Consistent with applicable State initiative(s)
 - Consistent with the business plan of the agency
 - Justified business case
- Managing For Results
- IT Project Request (ITPR)
- Agency budget development and submission



Project Management Oversight

- 4 Tier Oversight Methodology
 - Agency
 - DBM
 - Peer Review
 - Independent Verification and Validation (IV&V)
- Specific requirements are predicated on project risk profile

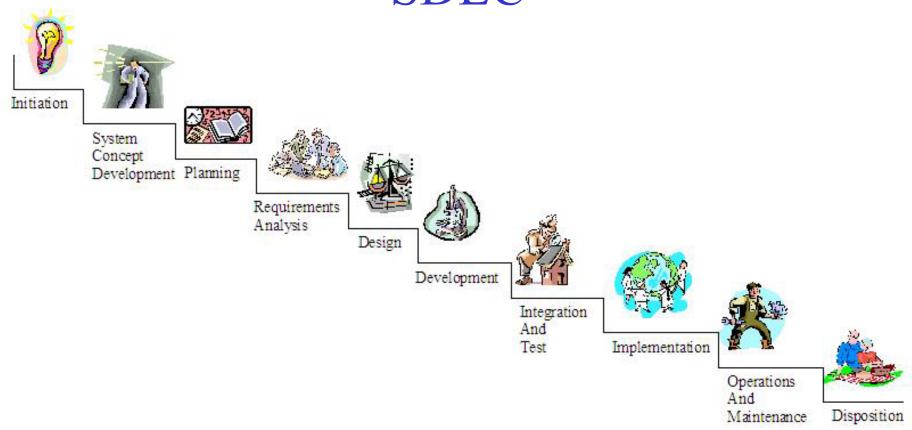


SDLC

- System Development Life Cycle
 - Foundation for all projects
 - Flexible framework to structure and manage nearly every type of project
 - Consists of 10 phases, from initiation to retirement



SDLC





Technology Requirements

- Each project is unique. However,
 - Must consider and be consistent with Maryland Technology Architecture Framework (MTAF)
 - Technology Reference Model (TRM) developed
 - Systems inventory currently under way
 - Ability to identify technologies and systems in use at other agencies
 - Will become more integrated into strategic planning and investment decisions



IT Security Policy and Standards

- State is very sensitive to IT security
- Version 1.3 recently released
 - Primary areas of change:
 - Added terms and definitions: IPS, Untrusted Network, VoIP
 - Software Code of Ethics (paragraph 12.2) incorporated
 - Format consistency



Other Considerations

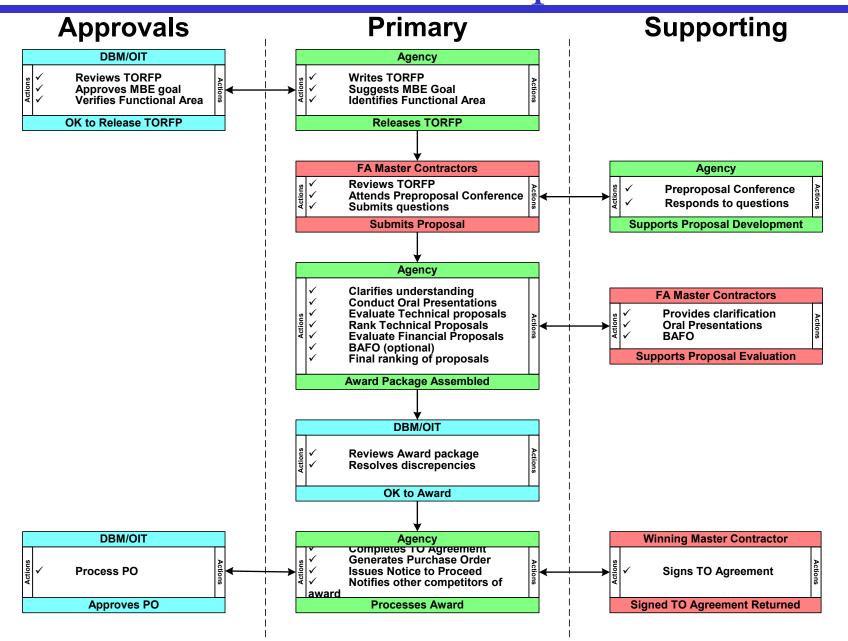
- PMI Project Management Body of Knowledge
- Project specific State and federal requirements
- Agency operating environment
- Funding



CATS TORFP Process

- Different from past Master Contracts
 - Primary responsibilities for solicitation and selection fall to the agencies
 - DBM's role is primarily oversight, final approvals and master contract management

TORFP Roles and Responsibilities





Successful Engagements

- Quality TORFP and Quality proposals
- Open and frequent communication
- Effective project management
- Effective contract management
 - Agency for TO Agreement
 - DBM for Master Contract
- Quality, quantifiable deliverables
 - On Time and On Budget
 - Meets functional and technical requirements
- Issue Resolution
 - Proactive
 - Escalation



Partners Share Risk and Reward

• Risk:

- Multiple deliverables
- Retainage
- Draft deliverables in advance of finals
- Limits of liability

Reward

- Happy clients
- Happy stakeholders



Thank You!